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SYSTEM AND METHOD OF ASSEMBLY
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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action
mailed on August 15, 2001. Please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-8, 10-15 and 21 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An apparatus for assembling components of a
data storage device comprising:

- a frame;
- a carousel base rotationally coupled to the frame
- a carousel coupling device to removably couple a
component carousel including a plurality of
assembly components to the carousel base;
- an assembly arm movably coupled to the frame; and
- a driver coupled to the assembly arm to move the
assembly arm between the carousel base and an
unassembled data storage device to sequentially
unload individual components from the carousel and

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